Abstract

A process for producing fried starch-containing foodstuffs is described, comprising a thermal treatment resulting in gelatinization of starch, partial frying, cooling, optional freezing and optional finishing, wherein the foodstuff is subjected to a mechanical surface treatment between said thermal_treatment_and_said_partial_frying. The mechanical treatment may consist of sanding, brushing, combined heat and pressure drop and other treatments. The foodstuff obtained has improved crispness, even after a holding time after finish frying.